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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, RW

SUBJ: PRG AND GRUNK: RWANDA CONSIDERING RECOGNITION

REF: (A) KIGALI 0402 NOTAL

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: GOR ENGAGED IN HIGH-LEVEL STUDY RECOGNITION PRG AND GRUNK (AND POSSIBLY DRV). FONMIN-ISTER SEEKS DEFINITIVE EXPRESSION USG POSITION. EMB WILL PROVIDE NOTE BASED ON PREVIOUS GUIDANCE ACCOMPANIED BY AMB COVER LETTER. ACTION REQUESTED: SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE. FOR KINSHASA: SUGGEST IT PREMATURE INFORM GRV AMB DU KIM LONG AT THIS POINT. END SUMMARY

2. REFTTEL INDICATED FONMIN NSEKALIJE WISHED SEE ME TO DISCUSS PRG AND GRUNK IS UES. I SUBSEQUENTLY CALLED JULY 9 AND IT TURNED OUT HIS INTEREST RELATED TO ACTIVE GOR STUDY RECOGNITION PRG AND GRUNK (AND POSSIBLY DRV). FONMIN NOTED OAU SUMMIT MOGADISCIO AND OTHER RECENT INTERNATIONAL VISITS

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PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA HAD BEEN ACCOMPANIED BY "GREAT PRESSURES" HAVE GOR MAKE "POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION" TO NON-

ALIGNED AND AFRICAN SOLIDARITY. DURING COURSE CONVERSATION, FONMIN COMMENTED NO GOR DECISION YET TAKEN NOR WOULD BE UNTIL AT LEAST NEXT MONTH,. BUT MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION BY RULING CTTEE AND PRESIDENT. FONMIN HAD, HOWEVER, NOT WANTED GOR INTERNAL DISCUSSIONS PROCEED WITHOUT BEING CLEAR ON USG ATTITUDE ALTHOUGH TONE OUR RECENT COMMUNICATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ISSUES LEFT HIM IN LITTLE DOUBT. PERSONALLY, HE BELIEVED SIHANOUK HAD MUCH STRONGER CLAIM FOR THIRD WORLD AND RWANDAN SUPPORT BECAUSE OF PATERNAL ROLE IN NON-ALIGNMENT. HE INDICATED GOR HAS RECEIVED WRITTEN REQUESTS FROM INTERESTED INTERMEDIARIES PART OF WHOSE LINE IS THAT GOR RECOGNITION WOULD ASSIST PROCESS OF NEGOTIATION AND THUS CONTRIBUTE TO PEACE. HE INTIMATED GOR EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM MAIN POINT OF CONTACT.

3. I REPLIED USG WOULD TAKE A MOST SERIOUS VIEW GOR RECOGNITION PRG OR GRUNK. INDEED, EMBASSY RECEIVES FREQUENT AND HIGH-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS ON PRG AND GRUNK ISSUES. THE IMAGE OF GOR WITHIN THE USG AS A MODERATE GOVERNMENT SEEKING TO PLACE PRIORITY ON NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE SERIOUSLY ERODED.

4. I RECOGNIZED THERE ARE AFRICAN PROBLEMS IN WHICH RWANDA HAS MORE OR LESS DIRECT INTEREST AND USG DIFFERENCES ON THOSE MATTERS PRIMARILY CONCERN TACTICS AND TIMING. QUESTIONS OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA ARE A DIFFERENT STORY. RWANDA HAS NO DIRECT INTERESTS IN THAT AREA AND NON-COMMUNIST AND

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NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES WHICH DO REFUSE TO RECOGNIZE PRG OR GRUNK. IT WAS ALSO MY IMPRESSION THAT INTERNATIONAL GRATITUDE IS OFTEN SHORT-LIVED (AND I NOTED THE LACK OF ARAB ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO AFRICAN COUNTRIES). I ADDED PERSONAL VIEW THAT CURRENT PRG AND GRUNK CAMPAIGNS BOLSTER THEIR INTERNATIONAL POSITION CAN BE INTERPRETED AS SIGNES OF WEAKNESS SINCE NEITHER OF THEIR FORTUNES HAS PROGRESSED IN MANNER PUBLIC COMMON WISDOM HAD ANTICIPATED A YEAR AGO. THUS, SUPPORT BY RWANDA MIGHT WELL PLACE IT ON DETERIORATING SIDE. I ALSO NOTED PARIS ACCORDS WERE PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT BY SECRETARY WHICH SOUGHT TO ASSURE A DURABLE PEACE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. WERE RWANDA TO UNDERTAKE AN ACTION DETRIMENTAL TO THXAT CAREFULLY NEGOTIATED STRUCTURE, IT WOULD BE ASSUMING A RESPONSIBILITY IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WHICH SEEMED INAPPROPRIATE TO ITS OVERALL INTERESTS.

5. COMMENT: CONVERSATION WAS CONDUCTED IN VERY FRANK AND OPEN MANNER. FONMIN OBVIOUSLY TROUBLED BY SQUEEZE BEING EXERTED BY NON-ALIGNED ASSOCIATES. AT MY REQUEST,
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WE AGREED I WOULD PROVIDE IN NEAR FUTURE CLEAR STATEMENT USG POLICY TO BE PROVIDED TO HIM FOR CIRCULATION WITHIN GOR ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. (I INTEND COVER IT WITH PERSONAL LETTER). WE CAN PREPARE BASIC NOTE HERE FROM DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: HOWEVER, WOULD APPRECIATE (A) CONFIRMATION NO NON-COMMUNIST SOUTHEAST ASIA STATE HAS RECOGNIZED PRG OR GRUNK; (B) BRIEF FACTUAL STATEMENTS OUTLINING DETERIORATION PRG AND GRUNK FORTUNES, (C) GUIDANCE SHOULD GOR LIMIT RECOGNITION TO DRV, AND (D) ANY OTHER COMMENTS DEPARTMENT BELIEVES APPROPRIATE (PARTICULARLY ON GRUNK SITUATION AND RECENT GRK OFFER OF NEGOTIATION.) I PROMISED PROVIDE NOTE ABOUT JULY 21. DEPT MAY ALSO WISH CONSIDER CALLING IN GOR AMB AFTER PRESENTATION NOTE KIGALI.

7. EMB WILL CONTINUE FOLLOW-UP ON ICRC ISSUE IN INTERIM.

8. FOR KINSHASA: RE YOUR 5834 (NOTAL), GOR HAS
OCCASIONALLY CHIDED EMB FOR FIGHTING GVN (AND KHMER)
BATTLES FOR THEM. VISIT TO KIGALI BY GVN AMB DU KIM LONG
MIGHT THUS BE USEFUL. HOWEVER, I SUGGEST IT PREMATURE
INFORM AMB LONG UNTIL I CAN SOUND OUT FONMIN ON
WHETHER GOR WOULD RECEIVE HIM. IF POSITIVE, AMB LONG
SHOULD THEN VISIT KIGALI AT EARLY OPPORTUNITY. IF NEGATIVE,
HE SHOULD BE INFORMED AND SEEK ACCESS DIRECTLY WITHOUR
SUPPORT.
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